

Something New

The Shakerite is proud to welcome you back with this unique first-day issue. We strongly hope that this effort may set a precedent for a year of new things at Shaker.

We of the editorial staff have worked over the summer to bring you this edition, hoping that it will be an illustration of our desire to make *The Shakerite* a more vital part of the Shaker scene.

We have given considerable thought to the proper place of *The Shakerite* in the school community. It is our feeling that the paper, along with the Student Council, can be an instrument by which the students can express their ideas for the betterment of the school.

We intend to cover fully all phases of school life, whether they be conventional or controversial.

In order to insure a paper of interest to you, you must take an interest in the paper. *The Shakerite* will be the kind of paper you want, only when you take the time to discuss your ideas with the editors. *The Shakerite* office shall always be open to you and your suggestions.

In Memoriam

During the past summer a long-time friend of Shaker High passed away. Mr. Guy F. Henry, both as head of the commercial studies department and as a personal friend, commanded great respect and admiration. We shall always be grateful for the sincere interest Mr. Henry had in all of his students and for his devoted service to the school.

Principal's Message

For the Staff of the Shaker Heights High School I say "HELLO!"

The present construction of additional rooms to our school is another indication of the willingness of the people of Shaker Heights to provide excellent facilities for their girls and boys. Gratitude for this can best be expressed by using the building wisely.

Again I wish to say that we expect our girls and boys to take a definite part in the administration of our school and to assume responsibility for it.

Sincerely I hope you will have a good year. The Staff stands ready at all times to help make it so.

RUSSELL H. RUPP
Principal

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Vacations, Vocations Vanish; Back to Books for Shakerites

You have gone your various ways
During long vacation days,
But we note with interest keen
Some of the places you've been seen.

The past summer has been a busy time for many Shakerites, working at interesting jobs or taking fascinating trips. Barbara Meyerson spent a good part of her vacation in Europe. Emily Carl and Katie Scott visited friends in Wisconsin, later stopping off to see the U. of Wisconsin. Jane Killpack and Trinky Quay went back to nature—on a farm in Iowa. Miss Nichol had plenty of opportunity to use her fluent Spanish during her trip to Mexico.

Judi Eisenberg, Marilyn Goodman and Nancy Schweid all saw the sights in New York. Ralph and Randy Kennedy and family "got away from it all" for three weeks in Cape May, N. J. Betsy Karch, along with Spence Kramer and his family traveled to Michigan. Casey Mullin visited Joe Harrison on Cape Cod. Bill Carlson attended his brother's wedding in Memphis. Nelle Carter, an ex-Shakerite, came back to Shaker this summer to stay with Carol Barber. Carol later returned the visit to Nelle at her house in Memphis.

Shari Kranz, Reva Bruder and Susan Fay went west—to California. Muleskinner Dan Holmes spent the summer on a mule train in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. On this 200-mile trip Dan got along so well with the mules that he was offered

a scholarship for next summer. Ronnie Loeser went "north of the border" on a trip through Canada.

Working for their keep this summer as counselors at Camp Adanac were Dennis Goodman, Dennis Tamesin, Ronnie Lorenz and Mark Harris. Chuck Richards and Tom "Hoise" Halter got in shape for football by working on the Halters' farm. Putting in their time for the good of the community were Ann Sherby, Bonnie Kane, Edie Fellinger, Ellie Friedman and Nancy Barnett, doing volunteer work at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Buddy Leidner had a "picture"que job, picking up photos for the Drug Store Photo Service. Diamond Norm Jacobs worked for Rudolph Deutsch.

After such a rugged summer, aren't we all glad to get back to the books? Well?

President's Message

I am happy to welcome the juniors and seniors to another school year at Shaker High, and I want to extend a special welcome to the new sophomores. I hope that every one of you will have a lot of fun as you participate in the various school activities. Shaker aims to improve her students' scholastic abilities and to help them build friendships with both teachers and students. I hope that school spirit will be high this year. I believe that this spirit is the most important factor in a successful school year. We have this spirit to start with, but we may only keep it by supporting our sports, plays, dances, and other activities.

As president of the Student Council, I can assure you that you have elected responsible representatives from your homerooms. I am proud to say that we shall have a good Council. Although the Council will endeavor to do many things for you, I urge you to give us your suggestions and ideas, so that the

Council, being your governing body, will be just in its actions.

I hope that you will grasp the opportunities which are available for you and that you will make the most of this year. I wish everyone good luck.

John Glick

Student Council President

Mr. Rupp Attends Columbia Conference

This summer Mr. Rupp attended a work conference for high school administrators at Columbia University. By special invitation, administrators from 25 different types of schools met to discuss current problems with national leaders in the field of education and guidance. Members of the staff of the Columbia University Teachers College

were available as the conference members requested their service.

The conference dealt with three major areas: program improvement for the education of the gifted, personnel relationships in 1954, and the modern school and its community.

Mr. Rupp said that much interest was shown in our honor study hall system, social council, and school publications by other administrators.

Big Sister Program Helps New Girls

At the beginning of another school year, the junior and senior girls join hands with the sophomore girls to help welcome them to Shaker High.

The Big-Little Sister program is off with a bang with a Coke Party, to be held this year in the girls' gym on Friday, September 10. The second function that the big sisters will attend with their little sisters in tow is the Kick-Off Party. This all school, no-date affair promises to be as exciting as ever, getting the football season off to a spirited start.

It is the duty of the big sister to show her little sister around school, introduce her to faculty and students, and most of all to remember that the first few weeks of high school are extremely important and that she should make them as pleasant as possible for her little sister.

Heading the big-little sister committee this year are Ruth Ann Hurt and Nancy Jensen as co-chairmen. Serving on the committee are Marjorie McKee, Janice Twigg, Beverly Biederman, Susie Silverman, and Ann Herzog. A vote of thanks is due these girls who have worked many hours during the summer to make this worthwhile program possible.

Activity Ticket Solicits Support

Once again Shaker High begins its annual Activity Ticket Drive. Last year 97 per cent of the student body bought activity tickets. It is hoped that this year's drive will beat that record with 100 per cent student support.

The importance of the activity ticket cannot be minimized. It supports many of the school's outstanding organizations and activities. It helps make possible our extensive sports program, our Student Council, the assemblies, newspaper, and varied class activities. The total cost is \$5.25 and the distribution of funds is as follows: *The Shakerite*, \$1.50; Class Dues, 50 cents; Assembly Fund, 20 cents; Student Council, 20 cents; Girls' Sports, 5 cents; and seven football tickets, \$2.80. Whole-hearted student support of this drive will enable Shaker to continue its excellent activity program.

Welcome!

Best of luck in '54-'55

The Shakerite



Top: Left to right, Miss Darone, Mrs. Fruehan, Miss Hollister.
Bottom: Left to right, Mr. Pickering, Mr. MacKeigan, Mrs. Unger

Ten Join Shaker's Faculty; Boys' Counselors Selected

This year ten is Shaker's lucky number. With the addition of ten new members, Shaker's faculty reaches record size. Coming from various sections of the country, two of the new teachers will join the mathematics department, one the English department, one the French department, one the commercial studies department, two will join the social studies department, one the physical education department, and one the music department. Shaker will also have a new social director.

A charming addition to the Social Room, the new social director, Miss Nancy Louise Hollister, comes to Shaker with a wealth of experience. A graduate of Beloit College in Wisconsin, Miss Hollister served for two years with the Yank Service Clubs in Austria and was a Red Cross Club Director in Iceland, Okinawa and Japan.

Serving both as an assistant to Miss Hollon, Dean of Girls, and as a member of the social studies department, is Miss Marion L. Darone. Miss Darone is a graduate of Wooster College and last year was Assistant to the Director of Careers Counselor at Wooster. Also a member of the social studies department will be Mr. Frederick R. Dixon. Mr. Dixon graduated from Western Reserve University and Western Reserve Law School. During the past year he did graduate work in School Education at Reserve and did student teaching in Cleveland Heights. Mrs. Margaret C. Fruehan, a

graduate of Wisconsin and Miami, coming from a teaching job in Oxford, Ohio, joins Shaker's English and mathematics departments. From Brush High School comes Mr. John K. Pickering. Mr. Pickering has his degree from Ohio University and is a member of the English Department. He will also serve this year as the tennis coach. Another wielder of the straight edge and compass is Mr. Robert Brown, a new addition to the mathematics department. Mr. Brown attended Akron University and taught last year at Culver Military Academy.

Keeping the typists in rhythm this year will be Mrs. Mary Lou Unger, newest member of the commercial studies department. Mrs. Unger graduated from Miami University and taught during the past year at Reading, Ohio.

The sound of a new whistle this year from the girls' gym will undoubtedly be that of Miss Jeannette. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

Five Letter Winners Form Foundation of Heaviest Squad Since 1949

Grid Squad Lacks Experience; League Chances Uncertain

"Green and inexperienced" is the way Head Coach Jim Halderman describes this present grid squad. After comparatively few scrimmages some positions are still unsettled, and whether the team will meet with success in league competition is another unsure fact.

Mr. Halderman and his staff are offering all they can in the way of coaching, but they assert the teams ultimate competitive status remains wholly dependent on attitude and general improvement of the individual player. If they proceed with determination and grit, if they buckle down and really work, they should be able to pull together and win their share of games.

In football, as it is played nowadays, size is not as big a factor as it seems. A small team with good speed can often overcome a big squad. Nevertheless, as Coach Halderman states, "A good big boy is always more valuable than a good little boy. That's the nature of football," and that, in effect, is what they are trying to develop. This year's squad has a bigger average size than in any year since Mr. Halderman's coaching debut here in 1949, the championship year.

The team's greatest weakness, it seems, is a lack of speed, and all possible steps are being taken to remedy it.

An example of their inexperience is the fact that only five lettermen are returning from last year's juggernaut. Three of these, halfback Charlie Burger and fullbacks Ron Lustig and Jack Fejes, should give the backfield stability, and the other two, tackles Norm Jacobs and Dick Morris, are expected to anchor the line.

Dennis Goodman appears to be the best bet to pilot the squad from the quarterback slot, while Ron Marchand, injured most of last year, is swivel-hipping his way toward a starting assignment at halfback.

The Sophomores Say Hello; Meet Shaker's Largest Class

Our color is very green, our spirits are willing, our knees are knocking—You've guessed it! We're your new sophomore class. There's a lot you'll have to teach us, but we're pretty good at picking things up fast, so please be patient with us, and we'll not disappoint you. There are a lot of us, and we hope you'll all get to know each of us before too long. A few of our good group have extra special talents you should know about:

Ken Dettelbach's a jerk—soda, of course—and overly generous with the whipped cream squirter. If you don't believe it we could direct you to one of his customers who would vouch for the fact. She'll be glad to tell you about it, provided she has the cream wiped off her face by now. Then there's Bill Carson—not everybody can travel to Memphis, Tennessee, with one brother and return with a brother and a sister. Yes, it was wedding bells down south for Rollie, a Shaker alum.

And we mustn't forget Bill German. He spent his whole summer getting in shape for football here in his new school—and take it from us, the unhappy opponents who are silly enough to try to tackle him will find out that he put his whole heart into his summer job—and most of his summer job (hot dogs, peanuts, and popcorn) into himself.

Need a theme typed? Better page Joan Karlovec. She's good and he's accommodating—a rare com-

A battle royal pits Harry Millis, a 205 pounder, against Leigh Kwalt and Paul Herringshaw for the offensive center job. John Glick and Bob Kane seem to be pretty good bets for the two starting guard spots with Al Cohen and Jim Pedone offering tough competition. At the ends look for Roger Penske and Tom Halter to bag the top slots. Another position rivalry finds Ken Huszar battling Dennis Tamesin for defense safety.

Of the aforementioned, Goodman, Fejes, Herringshaw and Tamesin are juniors, the rest seniors.

As to their placing in the Lake Erie League, Mr. Halderman makes no predictions. He feels, however, that Shaw and Parma will be especially good this year, and hurriedly adds that Lakewood is always a tough team to beat. Heights' team, like Shaker's, will depend on the amount of improvement.



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Whose face belongs in this picture? It's a question that only time can answer. By the end of the season we'll see which Shaker lineman merits selection into Coach Zednik's exclusive "Bull League" club. Only a select few are permitted to be photographed in this guise. Whoever this year's choice may be, he'll join good company. Among those Zip feels deserved the honor are Noel Slagle, Eugene Weiss, Nick and Pete Leone, all standout linemen of past Raider grid squads.



Jack Fejes



Ron Lustig

Harriers Hurry Hopefully Along Hectic Highways

Preparing to display an abundance of good, old-fashioned "grit," Shaker's cross-country workhorses are looking forward to another rigorous campaign. With returning lettermen forming the nucleus and several highly promising first-year men to push them, the 1954 season should prove very interesting from the Shaker point of view.

It is surprising that such a thankless sport attracts as many participants as it does. There is very little spectator interest since only a few seconds of each race can be viewed from the school stadium.

Nevertheless, each year talented volunteers pop up in a number far exceeding the seven needed for a starting squad. The same is ex-

pected this year as senior Earl Seidman and junior Mike Gavlak, the two past letter winners, head the pack preparing to enter competition. Juniors Bob Mears, Pete Harwood and Bill Benson are three more from whom much is expected. Many of them have already begun workouts and are ready to give their all when Coach Bob Rice starts formal practice.

Rice Renovates Intramural Program

An innovation marks the opening of the 1954-55 intramural season. The school will be divided into eight sections; each section will consist of a group of homerooms. One team will represent each section in the intramural games.

There will be a governing board of representatives, who will have the power to make decisions concerning schedules, eligibility, and disputes. One representative will be elected from each section. Every representative will have his own committee, composed of one person from each homeroom in the section. Coach Bob Rice, head of the program, and the teachers designated to be in charge of the activities will serve as advisors to the board.

The new intramural plan will be inaugurated this fall with touch-football and will close in the spring with softball. Activities will include all of the major sports as well as badminton and volleyball. Bowling, golf, and tennis are also tentative possibilities.

Mr. Rice anticipates a good season and a more active interest due to the change in intramural policy; this plan will provide recreation for those who are not participating in a varsity sport as well as an opportunity for all to exercise their athletic ability.

bination. She even rated a box of candy from Mr. Saul for helping whip out some material for the office.

Memo to Al Lopez: Just in case the Indians need reinforcements in the World Series, we can offer them Gary Tomarkin, Don Moore, Jim Lavdas, and Arnie Eisenberg from our ranks. After their summer on the diamonds, they could easily stand in for any of the Tribe. Stand in, yes—but could they hit?

Wonder what Norita Wyse, Linda Kahn, and Joyce Neiditz could have stashed away in their houses that attracted prowlers recently to all three dwellings? Could have been an A plus in Algebra at Nor's, a Kute Kousin from Kentucky at Linda's, or one of those (hear this, Paysans) strictly "in" pizzas at Joyce's.

We hope we've roused your curiosity enough so that you don't ignore us. Accept us into your happy family, and we guarantee you that we'll keep things interesting.

Pete Eichorn

Coaches Optimistic About J. V. Squad

Clear expressions of optimism are distinctly visible in the features of Fred Heinlen and Bob Rice nowadays, and that is a truly remarkable occurrence, considering that they are football coaches. It is a tradition of long standing for any and all grid mentors to show only pessimistic attitudes toward their disciples.

This can be taken, then, as pretty sound evidence of the potential of the Raiders' JayVees, about whom Mr. Heinlen was quoted as saying, "This looks like one of the finest teams we've had." They are well-balanced in most departments and have plenty of depth. They are not lacking in size or speed, two of the essential qualities of a successful squad.

Expected to head the running attack are Bill German and Mark Perry, both elusive halfbacks. Leading the shock troops in the line will be center Pete Eichorn and tackle Jack Freund.

Be Sure to See
Shaker vs. South
Sept. 18

Shaker Sport Shorts

If, in following early football practices, you noticed a few "privileged characters," who wandered around on their own, joining and leaving drills at will, and apparently exempt from the coaches' wrath, you can now set your mind at ease. Far from being "coach-baiters," as it may have appeared, these were former Shakerites attempting to round themselves into shape for the college football season. Working out with the varsity were Dick Brubaker, present captain of Ohio State's Big Ten squad; Van Seasholes, an end at Amherst; and Mike Brown, quarterback at Dartmouth.

Congratulations are due Stan Nudelman, who worked this summer as a caddie at Beechmont Country Club. During the spring golf campaign he was fifth man on the school squad, but showed such improvement in the early summer months that he was runner-up in a city-wide caddie tournament.

A valuable addition to the football coaching staff is Mr. Michael De Paola. His services as trainer have aided greatly in speeding recovery from sprains, strains, bruises and pulls, so many of which are sustained on the gridiron. Mr. De Paola is a sixth grade teacher at Moreland school, but he will be available during the regular season in after-school practice sessions and week-end games.

So-as-to-set-you-straight depart-

Ten Join Shaker Family

(Continued From Page 1)

L. Rowlands Miss Rowlands graduated from Ohio State University and will be a member of Shaker's physical education department.

Le nouveau professeur of French is Mr. Neil S. MacKeigan. Mr. MacKeigan attended Allegheny College and Western Reserve University and last year taught at Euclid, Ohio. Ending on a musical note is Mr.

ment: In case you start hearing names with which you are unfamiliar in connection with the football squad, there are two boys playing who are new to Shaker. Chuck Reiter, a sophomore from Massillon is quarterbacking the JayVee's first string team, while Elroy "Kurt" Kursh, a senior from John Adams (not to be confused with Elroy "Crazylegs" Hirsch, the professional star), is working at end for the varsity. Although Elroy was sidelined for several days during early practices with a sprained ankle, he's back in there now and is looking good.

A big hand to junior Sally Bergman for being the youngest player ever to make the championship flight in the Cleveland Women's Golf Association tournament.

Robert Leibold, a new addition to the Music Department. Mr. Leibold, who will teach instrumental music, studied at Ohio Wesleyan and Eastman School of Music. He taught last year in Ashland, Ohio.

Named as boys' counselors for the coming year are Mr. A. P. Drayer and Mr. Robert Morris, both members of the mathematics department.

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